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1. WASHINGTON POST AUGUST 1 CARRIED COLUMN BY STEPHEN S. ROSENFELD ENTITLED QUOTE ONE ARAB'S VISION UNQUOTE, DISCUSSING BOOK ENTITLED QUOTE AFTER THE GUNS FALL SILENT UNQUOTE BY EGYPTIAN JOURNALIST MOHAMMED SID AHMED, WHO IS DESCRIBED AS EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR OF AL AHRAH. BOOK HAS ASSERTEDLY BEEN PUBLISHED SO FAR ONLY IN ARABIC, BUT A FEW REVIEWS AND A BRIEF SYNOPSIS ARE NOW BEING SHOWN TO PROSPECTIVE AMERICAN PUBLISHERS. BOOK IS EVIDENTLY AN ANALYSIS OF FUTURE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE ARABS AND ISRAELIS AFTER A SETTLEMENT AND IT ALLEGEDLY QUOTE PRESENTS FOR THE FIRST TIME AN ARAB PICTURE OF A KIND OF PEACE THAT ISRAELIS, TOO, COULD EMBRACE UNQUOTE. ARTICLE DOES NOT STATE WHERE BOOK HAS BEEN PUBLISHED.

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